

Oversize Photo Scanning Project

Ditlevsen & Mitchell (meats) and Higdon's Grocery

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Sometime between 1900 and 1909, Edward Ditlevsen and Charles Mitchell started a business together as butchers. They were brothers-in-law; Charles married Edward's older sister Jennie in 1901. Ditlevsen & Mitchell shared their store space with Charles Higdon, a grocer. The shop's location was "3rd Ave near Wells" and was probably the southeast corner of that intersection.



Ditlevsen & Mitchell, and Higdon's Grocery n.d. (RHM# 41.0601)
Left to right: Ditlevsen, unknown man, Mitchell, unknown woman, Higdon.

By 1914, both businesses had closed. Ditlevsen moved elsewhere in Washington and continued in the meat business until around 1930 when he became a mortician. Mitchell began working for Denny-Renton Clay & Coal, first as an oiler and later as a tile burner. Higdon moved to Idaho and opened a general merchandise store there.